

Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Please accept the enclosed amended drawing sheet that includes Figures 38R and 38S;

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 38 are pending. Claims 1, 15, 16 and 30 - 38, are in independent form. It should be pointed out that on 9-23-05, an Amendment was sent on this Application. In that Amendment, Inventor paid a late fee for one month. By filing this Supplemental Amendment today on 9-27-05, a second month extension is not required. After mailing the Amendment, Inventor spoke with Examiner and Examiner stated that the way that Inventor handled trademarks did not comply with what Examiner wanted. Inventor told Examiner that a Supplemental Amendment would be sent in as the Amendment was already just mailed at the US Post Office which had just closed, so it would be difficult to not send the mailed application. That is why this Supplemental Amendment is being sent in and why today's date, 9-27-05 is significant.

**Comments on Trademark Issues**

I shall address each trademark name as listed below with comments;

**TEFLON**

TEFLON is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the usable materials of this invention. Inventor did research on this trademark name and found the following after looking at other patents as well as doing an internet search.

Inventor looked at other patents 6,852,264 issued Feb 8, 2005 which refers to Teflon in column 8, lines 6 - 7 and patent 6,942,236 issued Sep 13, 2005 refers to "TEFLON (polytetrafluoroethylene)" in column 2, lines 10 - 11. Patent 6,941,103, issued Sep 6, 2005 refers to "tetrafluoroethylene resin sold by E.I. duPont de Nemours and Company under the trademark TEFLON®". Thus, the tetrafluoroethylene resin is used to make polytetrafluoroethylene, both under the registered trademark TEFLON. Patent 6,938,629, issued Sep 6, 2005 refers to TEFLON in column 5, lines 22 - 25. Patent 6,940,712, issued Sep 6, 2005 refers to "...a PTFE coating (such as PTFE sold under the

trademark TEFLON®, for example) to...”. Patent 6,946,774 issued Sep 20, 2005, states, “...such as the fluorinated polymers perfluoroalkoxy (PFA), polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE), fluorinated ethylene-propylene (FEP), or tetrafluoroethylene (TFE) and other formulations, including the materials that are marketed under the trademark Teflon...”.

5 This indicates that the trademark name TEFLON may include more materials than just PTFE and/or TFE resin made into PTFE, so as not to limit the scope of the invention. However, this patent application mentions the use of plastic, thus any plastics may be used in this invention.

## 10 **FORMICA**

Formica is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the usable materials of this invention. Inventor did research on this trademark name and found the following after looking at other patents as well as doing an internet search.

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Inventor could not find any specific information on Formica other than the above which Inventor believes is too broad to comply with Examiner’s request. Inventor went so far as to telephone Formica Corp., formerly of Wayne, NJ, now of Cincinnati, OH. After speaking to an engineer on 9-26-05, Inventor left a message for one of the technical  
20 Vice Presidents of Formica Corp named Dave Messmer at 513-786-3105. Inventor asked Mr. Messmer how to best phrase everything for this patent application and help use their trademark name with dignity and respect. Mr. Messmer said that Formica is both a trademark name for his company and “brand name” for the product Formica. However, Mr. Messmer stated that Formica material is a “high pressure laminate”, intended to be  
25 a “high pressure decorative laminate”. I asked Mr. Messmer about the material makeup of Formica so as to get a generic name. Mr. Messmer said that this was not possible to do precisely as Formica, the material has evolved over time and formulations have changed. However, he did state that Formica material contains resins and may contain paper.

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Inventor looked at other patents 6,562,163, issued May 13, 2003, in column 1, lines 47 - 50 which refers to Formica brand Laminate and patent 6,945,006 issued Sep 20,

2005 in column 4, lines 20 - 23 which refers to "Formica Brand Laminate". Patent 6,524,758 issued Feb 25, 2003 and in column 8, lines 9 - 12 refers to "High pressure laminate Formica(Trademark) #7008-43 is ...".

5       **DELRIN**

DELRIN is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the usable materials of this invention. Inventor did research on this trademark name and found the following after looking at other patents as well as doing an internet search.

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Patent 6,941,937 states in column 4, lines 43 - 45 states, "The term Delrin is a trademark owned by E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co. Inc. for its acetal homopolymer plastics which are mechanically strong while also having resilience..."

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Patent 6,852,264 issued Feb 8, 2005 refers to Delrin in column 8, lines 10 - 11 and patent 6,942,236 issued Sep 13, 2005 refers to DELRIN, "...or other appropriate strong but low friction material (e.g., DELRIN AF. which is a well known trademark of E.I. du Pont De Nemours and Company identifying a material made of Acetal...", column 2, lines 7 - 10.

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Patent 6,932,835, issued Aug 23, 2005, states, "...formed of acetyl resin, such as "Delrin" (trademark)..." in column 8, lines 10 - 11.

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Patent 6,851,628, issued Feb 8, 2005, states, "...One commercially available acetal resin that Applicants have used successfully is sold by E. I. Du Pont De Nemours and Company Corporation under the trademark Delrin.TM...." in column 23, lines 61 - 64.

**MYLAR**

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MYLAR is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the materials used in this invention. It was found that MYLAR is a trade name of DuPont Teijin Films of Hopewell, VA for biaxially-oriented polyethylene terephthalate polyester film. This was

found in a GOOGLE search. Although there were many definitions of MYLAR this was chosen because it seemed to comply best with Examiner's request. However, it should be noted in this patent application on the record that in the imaging industry the term MYLAR can be referred to as a "recovery blade" no matter what material is used for it.,  
5 even if the material used is not actual MYLAR as many other materials may be used in the manufacture of a recovery blade as detailed in the patent application and are nonetheless referred to as MYLAR. For example, urethane rubber may be used to make a recovery blade and this urethane rubber recovery blade may be referred to in the industry as a MYLAR, even though it contains no MYLAR material. Thus, Inventor wanted to  
10 state on the record that although he complied with Examiner's request with definitions, this is misleading when using the term MYLAR which can be made of an assortment of materials, even though it has been defined in the application according to the way that Examiner wanted it done.

## 15 **PLEXIGLASS**

PLEXIGLASS is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the usable materials of this invention. Inventor did research on this trademark name and found the  
20 following after looking at other patents as well as doing an internet search.

In patent 6,562,163, issued May 13, 2003, it states, "For example, a "**PLEXIGLAS**" brand acrylic is a cast thermoplastic acrylic sheet produced in a number of formulations to provide specific physical properties for a number of applications.  
25 Along such lines, solid color translucent acrylic sheets are widely used in the illuminated sign industry. "**PLEXIGLAS**" is a registered trademark for such acrylic sheets of the Rohm and Haas Company."

## 30 **PETG**

PETG is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the usable

materials of this invention. Inventor did research on this trademark name and found the following after looking at other patents as well as doing an internet search.

5 In patent 6,938,771 issued Sep 6, 2005, in column 5, lines 16 - 18, PETG is referred to as "...polyethylene terephthalate, glycol modified ("**PETG**") polymer...". In patent 6,913,592, issued July 5, 2005, PETG is similarly referred to in column 16, lines 47 - 51.

## 10 **LIQUID STEEL**

LIQUID STEEL is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the usable materials of this invention. Inventor did research on this trademark name and found the following after looking at other patents as well as doing an internet search.

15 LIQUID STEEL brand adhesive is sold by PERMATEX Company of Hartford, Connecticut, a very aggressive adhesive, part number 25909. There may have been other product codes previously by this name by PERMATEX Company as LIQUID STEEL is an old product that has been around a long time. It is not known how many times the formulation may have changed.

20 Inventor in a search did not find this product in any patent when searching under "LIQUID STEEL", although there were patents involving molten steel that were not relevant that were found.

## 25 **POST-IT**

POST-IT is mentioned in a list in the patent application as one of the usable materials of this invention. Inventor did research on this trademark name and found the following after looking at other patents as well as doing an internet search.

30 POST-IT has the trademark POST-IT available from the Minnesota Mining and

Manufacturing Company ("3M") of St. Paul, Minn.

In patent 6,669,992 issued Dec 30, 2003, it states in column 13, lines 19 - 21,  
"...repositionable notes, for example those available under the trademark "Post-it"  
5 available from the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company ("3M") of St. Paul,  
Minn...".

### **METHUSELAH**

10 METHUSELAH is mentioned in the patent application. Inventor holds a patent  
on Methuselah brand Padding Powder that has been mentioned in the Specification from  
the date of the parent application. In the discussion with Examiner on 9-23-05, Examiner  
asked Inventor to include the patent number of Methuselah in the Specification. The good  
news is that it has been done since the original parent filing. Inventor did, however,  
15 mention Inventors company that manufactures and sells Methuselah powder.

### **Examiner's Paragraph 1**

Inventor complied with Examiner's request to clarify reference numerals 152 and  
20 153. In fact Inventor went the extra mile and check and corrected for clarification of other  
terms such as initial tear regions 147, 151 and 153 and end of tear regions 150, 152 and  
154. Inventor has put forth a best effort to comply with Examiner's requests. Now the  
Specification has a greater degree of clarity as Examiner wanted. These corrections have  
been made throughout the Specification using "search" so, it should be done accurately.

### **Examiner's Paragraph 2**

Inventor has amended every use of the word MYLAR and included the  
appropriate trademark information. Inventor believes that he has complied with  
Examiner's request for this and other trademark verbage.

**Examiner's Paragraph 3**

Inventor has corrected the TIGHTBOND CEMENT and removed the TIGHTBOND WOOD GLUE so as to avoid a new matter rejection.

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**The Figures**

Inventor has sent in Amended figure sheet containing Figures 38R and 38S. Figure 38R has been amended to correct reference numeral 89 which was inappropriately labeled as reference numeral 88. Also, the reference line pointing to reference numeral 10 146 has been moved slightly to the left for greater clarification so that the location of the initial tear 146 starts more at the beginning of the initial tear location.

It is believed that Inventor has complied with all of Examiner's requests. 15 Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the claims, as amended, are clearly distinguishable over the prior art and are allowable. Applicant respectfully solicits allowance of these claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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